

Primrose Time.

This world was formed for maid and man. So each must find a fellow; It hath been since the world began, And marriage were a show.

For she who wastes her summer prime, And easily doth part with her time Shall have a barren repute run her.

Then, either, say not Nay, but Yea, While primroses bloom; For spring-time will not always stay The winter that is coming.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Money Market.

THURSDAY, December 2.

The market is somewhat easier than for some time past. Money is loaned freely at 1 per cent, per month on first-class collaterals, and securities are in good demand. The transactions of the past week show a small advance in prices. State securities have appreciated somewhat, and City six per cent, stocks have been sold at 62. There is an encouraging feeling in the market, and the impression seems general that the era for low prices and stagnation has passed. We give below a carefully revised list of our stock quotations.

SOUTHERN BANKS. Current Rates. Bank of Camden..... 6000 65 Bank of Columbia..... 5000 20 Bank of Greer..... 1500 20 Bank of Greenville..... 1869 20 Bank of Hamptons..... 6769 par. Bank of Newberry..... 1269 par. Bank of Spartanburg..... 1269 par. Bank of State of South Carolina, prior to 1861..... 450 70 Bank of State of South Carolina, prior to January 1, 1861..... 2666 20 Commercial Bank, Columbia..... 6268 20 Exchange Bank, Columbia..... 2969 20 Farmers' and Exchange Bank, Charleston..... 6769 20 Merchants' Bank, Charlevoix..... 6569 90 People's Bank, Charleston..... 6569 90 Planters' Bank of Fairfield..... 6569 90 Planters' and Mechanics' Bank, Charleston..... 6569 90 Southwestern Railroad Bank, Charleston old..... 7569 80 Southwestern Railroad Bank, Charleston old..... 7569 80 State Bank, Charleston..... 6769 par. Union Bank, Charleston..... par. City of Charleston Change Bills..... par. Bonds, Stocks and Coupons. City of Columbia Bonds..... 7069 par. City of Columbia, First Mortg. Stock..... 7069 par. South Carolina Railroad and Bank Stock (whole shares)..... 4069 20 South Carolina Railroad (half shares)..... 2069 20 South Carolina Railroads, First Mortg. Bond, Bonds..... 77 66 78 00 South Carolina Railroads, First Mortg. Bond, Bonds..... 7569 80 South Carolina Railroad Certificate of Indebtedness..... 7069 par. City of Columbia Stock, First Mortg. Stock..... 5866 60 City of Charleston Five Loan Bonds..... 8069 60 State of South Carolina Bonds (old)..... 7269 20 State of South Carolina Bonds (new issue of January 1, 1867)..... 620 20 State of South Carolina Bonds issued for bank of the State bills..... 6969 20 State of South Carolina Stock (undischarged)..... 6769 20 People's National Bank Stock..... 120 000 20 First National Bank Stock..... 120 000 20 Union Bank Stock..... 7 500 8 00 Bank of Charleston Stock (whole shares)..... 25 00 26 00 Bank of Charleston Stock (half shares)..... 5 500 6 00 Planters' and Mechanics' Bank Stock..... 2 500 3 00 Greenville and Columbia First Mortgage Bonds..... 60 20 North Eastern Railroad First Mortgage Bonds..... 82 20 Northeastern Railroad First Coupon (past due)..... 7069 20 Northeastern Railroad Stock Capital (proffered)..... 8 000 20 Northeastern Railroad Certificate of Indebtedness..... 30 00 35 00 Northeastern Railroad Certificate or of Indebtedness..... 55 60 60 City of Charleston First Mortg. Bond..... 76 20 Charleston City Stock Company..... 23 00 23 20 Charleston City Railway Stock (ex dividend)..... 62 50 60 00 Charleston Mining and Manufacturing Company's Phosphate Works and Charleston and Savannah Railroad Stock (undischarged)..... 62 20 Savannah and Charlotte Railroad Stock (State Guarantee Seven Cent. Bonds)..... 64 20 65 20 Savannah and Charleston Railroad Stock (first mortgaged)..... 75 60 80 Savannah and Charleston Railroad Stock..... 23 00 23 20 City of Savannah Bonds (due previous to June 1, 1869)..... 97 20 City of Savannah Coupons (due after June 1, 1869)..... 12 20 City of Savannah Bonds (endorsed by M. C. Railroad)..... 65 20 City of Memphis Bonds (undischarged)..... 50 20 City of Memphis Coupons..... 75 20 Memphis and Chattanooga R. R. Stock 11 20 Memphis and Chattanooga R. R. Stock 93 20 Memphis and Chatton R. R. Coupons 93 20 Georgia State Coupons..... 97 20 Georgia State Bond, 7 per cent. (old)..... 82 20 Georgia State Bond, 7 per cent. (new)..... 88 20

Imports. Liverpool—Per British steamship Marmora—5000 pounds shears, 4 casks hardware, to J C Dial; 150 casks bottled beer, to Order; 2000 bundles arriclo, to Mure & co.; 1 case assured soap, 2 bales assorted wares, 1 case perfume, 3 cases English soap, 1 case Saxon soap, 2 cases frying pans, 7 casks chaulk, to Hart & co.; 26 casks chains, 25 bags nails, 2 iron pots, to J E Adger & co.; 100 casks car-warren, 10 casks hardware, to R M Marshall; 100 casks hardware, to C Gravely; 171 bars iron, 116 bundles from 124 bushels iron, 200 bundles iron, to J E Adger & co.; 1243 sacks salt, to Mure & co.; 15 cases and 1 barrel salt, to J E Adger & co.; 50 tons horse coal, to Mure & co.; 100 bushels bottled beer, 1 barrel, to Mure & co.

Mauritius—Per bark Wetherborn—700 tons Phoenix Island guano, to Wilcox, Gibbs & co.

Exports.

New York—Per steamship Saragossa—121 bags sea island cotton, 504 bags upland cotton, 85 tons rice, 10 bags yarn, 520 lbs oranges, 20 packages dried fruit, and sundries.

The Charleston Market.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 1869.

THE RECEIPTS.—The arrivals at the cotton ports have continued to come forward in good supply, and show a predominance over last year at all points but New Orleans, the Western receipts, it is said, being still curtailed by the low stage of the streams. The total result at these ports up to the latest telegraphic news has been as follows:

1869. 1868.

New Orleans, November 27..... 266,781 292,373

Mobile, November 27..... 18,373 14,354

Savannah, December 1..... 18,100 11,000

Charleston, December 1..... 100,808 61,625

Texas, November 26..... 52,242 45,967

Virginia, November 27..... 73,332 40,604

THE COTTON MARKET.—The market for this article has, during the period under review, displayed rather more firmness and activity at the great English centre, where the rates hardened from 11½d@12½d to 12d@13d for middling uplands, with considerable transactions; while at the American ports the staple has for much of the period shown slightly easier figures, largely in consequence of the sharp decline in gold, the rates at New York fluctuating slightly from 25¢@24½¢/lb; while at this point middling uplands, which opened at 24¢, improved to 24½¢@24½¢, receded to 24¢, and advanced to 24½¢.

The Liverpool and New York markets have shown the following movements and prices for the week: On Friday, November 26, the former closed firm, uplands 11½d@11½d, sales 1400 bales; the latter closed rather steadily at 25¢, sales 410 bales. On Saturday the former closed firm and active, uplands 11½d@12d, sales 18,000 bales; the latter was firm, closing quiet at 24¢@24½¢, sales 3000 bales. On Monday the former was firm at 11½d@11½d, sales 14,000 bales; the latter was inactive, and 24¢ lower, at 24¢, sales 1500 bales. On Tuesday the former was buoyant, uplands 11½d@12d, sales 15,000 bales; the latter closed firm at 25¢, sales 410 bales. On Wednesday the former was firm, uplands 11½d@12d, sales 20,000 bales; the latter was 24¢ better, closing quiet at 24½¢, sales 4000 bales. Yesterday the former was buoyant at 12d@12½d, sales 15,000 bales; the latter was heavy at 25¢.

The stock of the article in sight, at the latest date, was as follows:

1869. 1868.

Stock in Liverpool..... 388,000 320,400

Affort from India..... 85,000 118,000

Affort from America..... 115,000 90,000

Stock in London..... 100,000 120,000

Affort for London..... 90,000 53,000

Stock in Havre..... 78,250 45,990

Affort for Havre..... 43,100 27,464

Stock in New York..... 7,000 1,000

Stock in United States ports..... 265,985 215,000

Stock in the interior towns..... 64,784 47,301

Increase in visible supply..... 1,213,642 1,088,634

Stock of cotton held by Manchester spinners at

the mills, now 15,000 bales; same time 1868, 135,000 bales. Middling uplands 12d@12½d; then 11½d@12½d.

The arrivals at this port for the week have been 674 bags of sea island and 8165 bags of uplands, against 594 bags of sea island and 7589 bags of uplands the week before, and 296 bags of sea island and Floridas and 7111 bags of uplands for the same week last year. These supplies have come as follows, say: Of uplands, per South Carolina Railroad, 7278 bales; per Northeastern Railroad, 505 bales; Savannah Railroad, 41 bales; wagons, 10 bags; Georgetown, 10 bags; Bean fort, 5 bales; Chisolm's Mill, 3 bales; Santee, 1 bale; Say of sea islands, James Island, 42 bales; Red winter wheat 98 lbs. per bushel. Land buoyant at 76s.

Evening.—Cotton firm; uplands 12d@12½d; then 10 bags; 15 bags, 100 cents; speculation and export 6000. Land 76s 6d.

PARIS, December 2—Noon.—Bourse opened firm.

LIVERPOOL, December 2—Noon.—Cotton buoyant; uplands 12d; Orleans 12d@12½d; sales 16,000 bales. Red winter wheat 98 lbs. per bushel. Land buoyant at 76s.

Evening.—Cotton firm; uplands 12d@12½d; then 10 bags; 15 bags, 100 cents; speculation and export 6000. Land 76s 6d.

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HAVRE, December 2—Noon.—Cotton opens firm; about 10d@10½d; on the spot 10d@10½d.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

NEW YORK, December 2—Noon.—Stocks unsettled but firm. Money 7. Sterling, long 9; short 9½; Gold 22½; Sixty-two, coupons, 12½%; Peruvian, ex-coupons, 53; new 48½; Virginia, ex-coupons, 48; Louisiana, old 65; Levee 57½; eight 5½; Alabama eight 93; river 61; Georgia sixes 51; seven 93; North Carolinas, old 42½; new 22½; South Carolinas, new 65.

Evening.—Cotton dull and ½ lower; sales 1600 bales at 25¢@25½d. Land middling 24½¢@24½d.

On Monday, early in the day, the article was quite firm, but the market declined in gold caused the market to become easier; sales about 450 bales; quotations being somewhat nominal at 23½¢@23½d; for ordinary to good ordinary, 23½¢@23½d; for middling, 23½¢@23½d; for middling, 23½¢@23½d.

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On Friday, November 26, the staple was dull, with restricted inquiry and light stock, prices tending in buyers' favor; sales about 100 bales; ordinary to good ordinary being quoted at 22½¢@22½d; low middling 22½¢@22½d; middling 22½¢@22½d.

On Saturday, in the day, the article was quite firm, but the market declined in gold caused the market to become easier; sales about 450 bales; quotations being somewhat nominal at 23½¢@23½d; for ordinary to good ordinary, 23½¢@23½d; for middling, 23½¢@23½d.

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